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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 15, 2005, the period of response for which runs through March 15, 2006, please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.